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Geertrui HIBMA

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to the first Official Action and calculation of the filing fee, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 3, line 1, cancel "or 2".

Claim 8, line 2, cancel "or 7".

Claim 14, lines 1 and 2, change "10-11" to
--claim 10--.

Claim 16, line 1, change "claims 14-15" to
--claim 14--.

Claim 19, line 1, cancel "-18".

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